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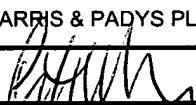
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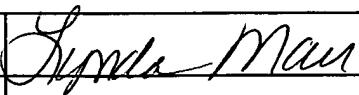
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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TREATMENT OF NEISSERIAL INFECTIONS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION  
REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Sir:

This responds to the Restriction Requirement mailed on December 19, 2005. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper. As reflected in the listing of the claims, the Examiner is respectfully requested to cancel claims 1-6 and 23-24, to amend claims 12-22, and to add claims 25-28.

Remarks, including the response to the Restriction Requirement, begin on page 5 of this paper.